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REMARKS

Claims 13, 14, 17, 18 and 21-27 are amended herein. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 13, 14, 17, 18 and 20-27 will be pending in the above-identified application.

Section 102 - Dedrick

Claims 13, 14, 17, 18 and 20-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,717,923 (Dedrick).

Claims 13 and 26 recite a user information processing system having a terminal unit employed by a user and a server to which said terminal unit can have access, said system comprising: a terminal unit for use by a user adapted for accumulating terminal use record information upon use of said terminal unit by said user and profile information of said user generated on the basis of said terminal use record information, wherein at least one of said terminal use record information and said profile information includes identifying information about said terminal unit; a server accessible by said terminal unit adapted for producing said profile information based on said accumulated terminal use record information; and storing means detachably provided in said terminal unit for storing said profile information so that when the user uses a terminal unit, the terminal unit accesses the user profile information from the storing means to obtain information peculiar to the particular user using the terminal unit.

Dedrick does not include all the requirements recited in the claims. For example, the cited reference fails to disclose or suggest storing means detachably provided in said terminal unit for storing said profile information so that when the user uses a terminal unit, the terminal unit accesses the user profile information from the storing means to obtain information peculiar to the particular user using the terminal unit. Because each of the claim requirements are not found in the cited reference, the Section 102 rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

Claims 14 and 17 recite a terminal unit comprising use record information writing means for writing use record information used by the user; storing means detachably provided in said terminal unit for storing profile information of said user so that when the user uses a terminal unit, the terminal unit accesses the user profile

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information from the storing means to obtain information peculiar to the particular user using the terminal unit; transmitting means for transmitting said use record information accumulated in storing means to profile information generating means remote from the terminal unit for every prescribed timing; profile information writing means for receiving the profile information of said user based on said use record information which is transmitted from said profile information generating means and writing said received profile information in said storing means, wherein at least one of said use record information and said profile information includes identifying information for said terminal unit; and selecting means for selecting provided information corresponding to said profile information written in said storing means from among provided information transmitted from prescribed information providing means.

Dedrick does not include all the requirements recited in the claims. As previously alluded to, the cited reference fails to disclose or suggest storing means as recited in the claims. Because each of the claim requirements are not found in the cited reference, the Section 102 rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

Claims 18 and 20 a terminal unit comprising: use record information writing means for writing use record information used by a user in prescribed storing means detachably provided in said terminal unit for storing profile information of said user so that when the user uses a terminal unit, the terminal unit accesses the user profile information from the storing means to obtain information peculiar to the particular user using the terminal unit; profile information writing means for writing profile information of said user in said storing means, wherein said profile information is generated by a profile information generating means remote from the terminal unit on the basis of said use record information accumulated in said storing means, and wherein at least one of said use record information and said profile information includes identifying information for said terminal unit; and selecting means for selecting provided information corresponding to said profile information written in said storing means from among provided information transmitted from prescribed information providing means.

Dedrick does not include all the requirements recited in the claims. As previously mentioned, the cited reference fails to disclose or suggest storing means as

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recited in the claims. Because each of the claim requirements are not found in the cited reference, the Section 102 rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

Claims 21 and 22 recite apparatus for providing information to a terminal unit remote from the apparatus, said apparatus comprising: profile information generating means for generating profile information of a prescribed user based on use record information of said terminal unit of said user transmitted from said terminal unit, wherein at least one of said use record information and said profile information includes identifying information for the terminal unit; transmitting means for transmitting said generated profile information to the terminal unit; and storing means detachably provided in the terminal unit for accumulating said use record information and said profile information so that when the user uses a terminal unit, the terminal unit accesses the user profile information from the storing means to obtain information peculiar to the particular user using the terminal unit.

As discussed above, Dedrick does not include all the requirements recited in the claims. For example, the cited reference fails to disclose or suggest storing means as recited in the claims. Because each of the claim requirements are not found in the cited reference, the Section 102 rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

Claims 23-25 recite apparatus for providing information to a terminal unit remote from the apparatus, said apparatus comprising: profile information generating means for generating profile information of a prescribed user based on use record information of said terminal unit of said user transmitted from said terminal unit, wherein at least one of said use record information and said profile information includes identifying information for said terminal unit; and storing means for storing said profile information thus generated, wherein said storing means is a storage medium detachably provided in said terminal unit so that when the user uses a terminal unit, the terminal unit accesses the user profile information from the storing means to obtain information peculiar to the particular user using the terminal unit.

Dedrick does not include all the requirements recited in the claims. More particularly, the cited reference fails to disclose or suggest storing means as recited in the claims. Because each of the claim requirements are not found in the cited reference, the Section 102 rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

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Claim 27 recites a user information processing system comprising: a terminal unit adapted to accumulate terminal use record information upon use of the terminal unit by a user; a storage medium detachably provided in said terminal unit so that when the user uses a terminal unit, the terminal unit accesses the user profile information from the storing means to obtain information peculiar to the particular user using the terminal unit; and a server adapted to generate profile information of the user based on the terminal use record information accumulated by the terminal unit, wherein said terminal unit is adapted to accumulate the profile information generated by said server, and wherein at least one of said use record information and said profile information includes identifying information for said terminal unit .

As discussed above, Dedrick does not include all the requirements recited in the claims. In particular, the cited reference fails to disclose or suggest storing means as recited in the claims. Because each of the claim requirements are not found in the cited reference, the Section 102 rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

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Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that there is any issue which could be resolved by an interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

As it is believed that application is in condition for allowance, a favorable action and Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

The enclosed Credit Card Payment form is to cover the \$120.00 fee for a one month extension of time up to May 6, 2005. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or to charge any deficiency in connection with this filing to Deposit Account No. 19-3140.

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